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EXAMINING GROUP 1634

Appln. No. 09/982,307
Amdt. dated April 13, 2004
Reply to Office action dated Feb. 13, 2004

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

MAUZE et al.

Application No.: 09/982,307

Filed: October 16, 2001

For: A COMPANION CARTRIDGE
FOR DISPOSABLE DIAGNOSTIC
SENSING PLATFORMS

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of February 13, 2004. The item checked below is appropriate:

The claims are calculated below:

| | Claims Remaining After Amendment | | Highest Number Previously Paid | Present Extra | Rate | Additional Fee |
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Dated: April 13, 2004

By: *Andrew B. Schwaab*

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed February 13, 2004, and pursuant to
37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicant proposes that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on
page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7.

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